

WASHINGTON, SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 1906.

WALES TO GO EAST  
TO PACIFY JAPANMikado's People Chafing  
Against Alliance.

PRINCE RUNS RISK OF SNUB

If Populace in Flowery Kingdom Should  
Receive Royal Pair Chilly, Eng-  
land Would Be Humiliated.

LONDON, Feb. 10.—The strong opposition to the English-Japanese alliance, which is every day becoming more evident in Japan, has created considerable uneasiness here, and the Japanese government has been asked to prevent the publication of any more anti-British articles in the Japanese press.

The liberty of the press is still unknown in Japan, but it is exceedingly doubtful that the Mikado will dare stop criticism of the alliance, when so many prominent men have declared against it.

## Heir to Visit East.

As a last resort, it has now been decided that the Prince and Princess of Wales, when they leave India, are to go to Tokyo to pay an official visit to the Mikado.

This decision has not been taken without considerable hesitation, for if a cool reception should be given the royal couple by the people, England's position would become even more humiliating than at present.

## King Seeks New Army.

In the meantime, King Edward is in favor of a complete reorganization of the British army, which both Lord Roberts and Lord Kitchener have declared to be entirely insufficient for the protection of the empire, but, with the strong labor representation in the house of commons, it may prove difficult to get the money necessary to bring the army up to date.

ARMY MOST POWERFUL  
FRANCE HAS EVER HAD

Yet Germany, Says Official Estimator,  
Is Spending Five Times as  
Much as Republic.

PARIS, Feb. 10.—The report of M. Klotz on the French army estimates among other things directs attention to the importance attaching to the estimates for 1906, owing to the necessity of France to be ready for all emergencies, notwithstanding her desire for peace, and also by reason of the coming into effect of the new recruiting law.

"The republic," the report continues, "has attained to a degree of military power unknown to former regimes. But although parliament has never refused to agree to any army vote submitted to it, the extraordinary army expenditures on the part of Germany in 1904 have been three times, and that of 1905 five times the expenditures of France."

OUR LIGHT NOT SUN'S,  
DECLARES IRISH GIRL

Nor Does Old Sol Warm Us, Says Au-  
thor of New Motive Power  
in Universe.

LONDON, Feb. 10.—Miss Martha Craig, a young Irish woman, is the author of a most remarkable essay, which entirely upsets all the now recognized theories founded on the law of gravitation. Her work has been much praised by the French Institute.

Miss Craig, who is a self-made woman in every sense of the word, replaces the law of gravitation by a system of vortices. The sun, the earth, the moon, and all the known constellations each have their own vortex, which holds their particles together by pressure.

She denies that the sun is the source of our light and heat, because the higher you rise the colder the atmosphere grows. Light and heat, she says, are generated by friction of the vortex on the earth's surface coming in contact with the rays of the sun.

Her theories, which at first were ridiculed by scientists as has been the fate of all new theories from the time of Galileo, are now being seriously discussed in scientific circles.

FROM ELYSEE TO FLAT  
EMIL LOUBET WILL GO

PARIS, Feb. 10.—With every sign of joy at the prospect of being relieved of the burdens of his office, President Loubet is personally looking after the furnishings of the modest flat which is to be the future home of one of the most democratic and popular presidents France has ever had, during the comparatively short time of the year he will spend in the city.

President Loubet has never felt quite at home in Paris. City life has never been to his taste, and he will pass all but the few short winter months at his country estate, where he can work in his garden, smoke his pipe in the open air, and enjoy the pleasures of hunting. The arrival of his successor in the Elysee will change the life in that splendid palace little, palace little, Fallières is as democratic in his ways as is M. Loubet, whom he resembles somewhat also in personal appearance.

RUSSIAN REFUGEES  
REVEL AT RIVIERAGrand Dukes Dissipating  
and Squandering.

NICHOLAI AIDS INSURGENTS

Money He Insultingly Offered Woman  
Sent by Her to Revolutionary  
Fund at St. Petersburg.

PARIS, Feb. 10.—The Riviera this winter is essentially Russian and is more gay than for many years.

Absolutely unmindful of the terrible events which threaten to tear asunder their native country, the leaders of the Russian aristocracy who have fled from the revolution, as did our own aristocrats a little more than a century ago, are spending their money with the utmost recklessness.

Many of them may never again gain possession of their estates, which are now in the hands of the peasants who, having been plundered for years, are now plundering the chateaus which they formerly approached only hat in hand, but this does not worry the owners.

## Grand Dukes Lead.

The carnival of gaiety is being led by the grand dukes. Cyril and his bride, banished from Russia by the order of the Czar, are squandering thousands at Cannes, while the father of Cyril, Grand Duke Vladimir, "the butcher of St. Petersburg," also at Cannes, but at a different hotel, is dissipating with every professional beauty of Paris, when he is not gambling and, as a rule, losing heavily at the faro or roulette tables.

Grand Duke Nicholas is at Nice, where he was openly snubbed by a young French lady some days ago.

Repeatedly he had tried in vain to attract her attention, and as a last resort he secretly asked the croupier to place two Louisd'ors on number 13 for her and left the room. The unlucky number won and the croupier pushed \$20 toward the young lady, who refused to accept it.

Explanations were being made when the grand duke again approached the table.

## Routed by Woman.

Her eyes flashing with anger, the young lady said loud enough for every person in the room to hear her: "Please send this money from the Grand Duke Nicholas to the central committee for the victims of the revolution in Russia."

A storm of applause greeted her words, while the grand duke beat a hasty and most undignified retreat.

SPAIN SURE TO LOSE  
IN ALGERIAS CONFAB

Conclusions of International Congress  
Certain to Necessitate Alfonso's  
Country Quitting Africa.

MADRID, Feb. 10.—The Algerias conference, which aroused great interest, is rapidly becoming an affair of secondary importance, so far as Spain is concerned.

It has been proved beyond doubt that the great powers of Europe want peace, and nothing but peace, and to attain this they will not hesitate to sacrifice the weak.

They have already sacrificed Morocco, and they will, no doubt, if the necessity arises, sacrifice Spain.

If the Spanish claims are not granted (and all seems to indicate that they will not be), the position of Spain in northern Africa will become an untenable one. Her possessions in Melilla, Fernando Poo, etc., will lose all value, and it is even said on what appears to be good and reliable authority that one consequence of the Moroccan dispute may be the sale of those possessions by Spain to England or France. When this should be done Spain's colonial empire will be limited to the Canary Islands, which are already half English, and to the Balears, which are more French every day.

ONE LIFE SIZE PICTURE  
OF THOUSAND PERSONS

Paris Now Seeing Largest Painting  
Ever Made, Two Hundred and  
Fifty Feet Square.

PARIS, Feb. 10.—The largest painting ever made in France and probably in the world is on exhibition at the Galerie des Machines.

It is 250 feet square and contains more than 1,000 life size figures. The subject is taken from the first days of the great revolution and shows the mob led by Lafayette marching to the Hotel de Ville after having captured the Bastille.

It is the work of M. Georges Roussel, who is now working on another mammoth canvas, representing the mutuality festival, the last important occasion at which M. Loubet presided during his seven years of office. This canvas also is 250 feet square and will not be finished until next spring.

SIMMS' TRIAL POSTPONED,  
NEW EVIDENCE LIKELY

D. Jasper Simms, former chief clerk of the Soldiers' Home, who was arrested Thursday night on a charge of forgery, visited Assistant District Attorney Given at the Police Court yesterday, and by agreement the trial of Simms was continued until next Wednesday. The additional evidence might be procured. Simms is now out on \$500 bond.

Hounds of French Nobility  
Blessed Before Hunt Begins

Beseeching Deity for Success for Animals in Killing Game.

PARIS, Feb. 10.—One of the most curious survivals of medieval France has been assisted by the friends of the Baroness Houdemar—that of the benediction of the hounds in the forest of Compiègne.

The pack, sixteen full-blooded hounds, tan and white in color, high in the shoulder and branded "H" on the flank, left the kennels of the chateau at 6 o'clock in the morning, led in pairs by eight "valets de chasse" dressed in be-ribboned coats, breeches, white stockings, heavy shoes and three-cornered felt hats bound with gold lace. Behind followed the "piqueurs," or beaters, dressed like the valets, except that they wore high brown leather boots and carried a hunting-horn around the body.

The procession of dogs and men proceeded to the village church, outside which Madame la Baronne and her guests awaited the pack. The guests on this occasion included the Marquise de l'Aigle, the Marquis and Marquise de la Rochefoucauld, Comte d'Armeville, the Baronne de Rothschild, the Comte and Comtesse de Boisfleur, the Duc de Cartres—the ladies wearing three-cor-

nered gold-ribboned hats and Louis XIV habits.

When the hounds had been whipped into quiet, the chaplain, assisted by two vicars, all in full sacerdotal attire, came out of the church porch and, sprinkling the dogs with holy water, offered up the following prayer of consecration in old French:

"May God permit these dogs by their ardor and instinct to contribute to the success of the hunt, and keep them from turning furiously on the hunters."

Then with a cry of "talan," the consecrated dogs and the hunters started out for the day's killing.

The origin of this strange custom runs back to the days of Louis XI. In order to increase the "ardor and instinct" of his hounds, Louis used to starve them before hunting day. On one occasion, the famished and half-mad animals turned on the King's familiar, Olivier le Dalm, and bit him so sorely that he died of his injuries. After that, the King did not hunt for thirteen years.

When his daughter Anne was married to the Sir Simon Charles de Valois at Versailles, a great hunt, a great hunt formed part of the wedding feast and in order to avert all evil the superstitious King commanded the Cardinal de la Balm to consecrate the hounds and turn their dog hearts from evil.

KAISER BUYS AUTO OF  
AMERICAN MAKE

BERLIN, Feb. 10.—Three times during the past week did the Kaiser visit the automobile show, where he closely examined the many autos of American make, which are shown here for the first time.

As with sewing machines and bicycles the American manufacturers of automobiles sell their machines here at prices which are very much lower than those people in America would have to pay for the same cars.

The Kaiser bought one American touring car for his personal use, a fact which is being largely commented upon, as he has formerly only bought cars of German manufacture.

PARIS NOW HUNTING  
HER OWN PAUL JONES

Picturesque Procession Begins Search in Vaults Under  
Chapel of Holy Virgin for Remains of Capt. Duguay-  
Trouin, Who Died at American's Birth.

PARIS, Feb. 10.—After the search for the remains of Paul Jones, Parisians are looking on at the search for a second naval hero, a Captain Duguay-Trouin. The search was begun recently, and, although the searchers know to a yard or two where the body lies, the quest will be very possibly as long as that for the remains of Paul Jones, if it does not last forever.

Family records in a parish register show that Duguay-Trouin was buried on September 22, 1782, beneath the Chapel of the Holy Virgin in the Church of St. Roche, in the Rue St. Honore.

## Procession in Crypt.

A number of archaeologists and descendants of Duguay-Trouin descended into the crypt of St. Roche with the vicar and a representative of the minister of marine. Two headless, dressed in the old-fashioned tall coats, braided with gold, knee breeches, stockings, and buckle shoes, headed the procession with torches in hand. A group of laborers followed.

The church architect pointed to the part of the crypt which lies under the Chapel of the Holy Virgin, and the men set to work to tear down one of the walls, which surround what was

believed to be the sarcophagus. The material was decaying and it soon gave way, but the vault thus opened was much larger than was expected, and contained a confused collection of skulls and thigh bones, large enough to fill a dozen coffins.

## Search Is Abandoned.

The search was therefore abandoned. The mistake is said to have been due to alterations made to the crypt in 1879 for the installation of a new heating apparatus, and it is believed that when the plans of the alterations have been taken into account the search will be much happier.

GERMANY BESTS ENGLAND  
IN ABYSSINIAN DIPLOMACY

LONDON, Feb. 10.—The full text of the treaty of friendship and commerce between Germany and Abyssinia, concluded at Addis Abeba, on March 7, 1905, between Dr. Rosen, German envoy extraordinary, and the Emperor Menelik, which was recently submitted to the Reichstag, has now been made public. Many of the features of its six articles are plainly distasteful to Great Britain, and there is likely to be some diplomatic inquiry before its final consummation.

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